

DR. MARTIN LUTHER'S
CATECHISM,
FOR
CHILDREN
AND
YOUNG PEOPLE.

.....
TRANSLATED FROM THE GERMAN.

*Train up a Child in the Way he should go;
and when he is old, he will not depart from it.*
SOLOMON.

*From a Child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures,
which are able to make thee wise unto Salvation.*
PAUL.

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PART I.

Dr. MARTIN LUTHER'S

SMALLER

CATECHISM.

§ 1. *Of the* COMMANDMENTS.

Q. WHAT does the *first part* of our Catechism treat of?

A. Of the sacred Ten Commandments of God.

Q. Which is the *first Commandment*?

A. "Thou shalt have no other Gods before me."

Q. What is the import of this Commandment?

A. "We should love, fear, and trust God above all things."

Q. Which is the *second Commandment*?

A. "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain."

Q. What is the signification of the second Commandment?

A. That "We should so love and fear God, as not to curse, swear, lie, incantate or deceive in his name; but call upon it in every time of need with praises, prayer, and thanksgiving.

Q. Which is the *third Commandment*?

A. Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy.

Q. What is the signification of this Commandment?

A. That "We should so love and fear God, as not to neglect or despise the preaching of his word, but should deem it to be holy, willingly hear and learn it.

Q. Which is the *fourth Commandment*?

A. Honor thy Father and thy Mother, that thy days may be long, upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

Q. Explain this Commandment.

A. We should so love and fear God as not to despise or displease our Parents or superiors; but should be careful to honor, serve, love, and obey them.

Q. Which is the *fifth Commandment*?

A. "Thou shalt not kill."

Q. What is the import of this Commandment?

A. We should so love and fear God as not to do our neighbor any bodily injury; but,

in every respect to help and assist him to the utmost of our ability.

Q. Which is the *sixth Commandment*?

A. "Thou shalt not commit adultery."

Q. What is the signification of this Commandment?

A. It signifies that "We should so love and fear God as to live chaste and undefiled in thoughts, words and works, and that each should shew due love and respect to their own husband or wife."

Q. Which is the *seventh Commandment*?

A. "Thou shalt not steal."

Q. What is the import of this Commandment?

A. That "We should so love and fear God as not to rob our neighbour of his property, nor bring it into our possession by fraudulent means; but should assist him honestly to augment and protect it."

Q. Which is the *eighth Commandment*?

A. "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour."

Q. What is the signification of this Commandment?

A. It signifies that "We should so love and fear God, as not to belie, speak evil of, betray, or raise injurious reports against our neighbour; but should apologize for him, speak well of him, and always, as far as possible, entertain the most charitable judgment of him."

Q. Which is the *ninth Commandment*?

A. "Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house."

Q. What is the import of this Commandment?

A. That "We should so love and fear God as not to covet or aim to possess ourselves of the property of our neighbour by deceitful means, or the false appearance of a legal right; but should ever be ready to assist and serve him in the preservation of his own."

Q. Which is the *tenth Commandment*?

A. "Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his man-servant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's."

Q. What doth this Commandment signify?

A. It signifies that "We should so love and fear God as not to desire, delude, or force away our neighbour's wife, servants, or cattle; but should use our endeavours that they may continue with, and discharge their duty and obligations to him."

Q. And what saith the Lord our God of these Commandments?

A. He saith "I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the Children to the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and

showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my Commandments.

Q. What do we learn from this declaration?

A. That "God threatens severely to punish all those who transgress these Commandments; and that we should therefore dread his displeasure, and not presume to act contrary to his law: But on the contrary he promises grace and the quiet possession of all good things to those who keep his laws; we should therefore bear a confident affection towards him and cheerfully do what he commands us."

§ 2. Of the CREED.

Q. OF what does the *second part* of our Catechism treat?

A. It contains and explains the *Apostles Creed*.

Q. How many Articles are there in this Creed?

A. Three. The *first* treats of Creation; the *second* of Redemption; and the *third* of Sanctification.

Q. Which is the *first Article*?

A. I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Q. What do you profess to believe in this Article?

A. I profess to believe "That God has created me and every creature; that he has given me a soul and body with all their members and powers and faculties; and that in his paternal attention to, and tenderness towards me, without respect to any worthiness or deservings in myself, he has bestowed on me all the conveniencies of life; and daily protects me from evils and dangers; for all of which I profess myself under the most binding obligations to praise, thank, and faithfully to serve him."

Q. Which is the *second Article*?

A. And (I believe) in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified dead and buried: who descended into hell—who arose again the third day from the dead—ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father almighty—from whence he shall come again to judge the quick and the dead.

Q. What is it that you, in other words, profess to believe in this Article of Jesus Christ?

A. I profess to believe that Jesus Christ—true God, begotten of the Father from all eternity, and true Man, born of the Virgin

Mary, is my Lord; who has redeemed, purchased, and won me, a lost and condemned person from sin, death, and the power of the devil; not with silver or gold, but with his holy and precious blood, and with his innocent death and sufferings, to the end that I might be his, and live with him in his kingdom.

Q. Which is the *third Article*?

A. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Q. What do you profess to believe in this Article?

A. I believe that through my own strength and reason I cannot believe in, or come to Christ: but the Holy Ghost has called me through the Gospel; even as he calls, gathers, and establishes the Universal Church in the faith; so hath he illuminated and sanctified me by his operations; and richly applies to me, and all who believe, the free forgiveness of sin: and, that at the last day he will raise me, and all the dead, and will grant me, with all true believers in Christ the enjoyment of everlasting life. This I believe to be most certainly true.

§ 3. *Of the LORD'S PRAYER.*

Q. OF what does the *third part* of the Catechism treat?

A. Of the *Lord's Prayer*.

Q. Let me hear you rehearse the Lord's Prayer.

A. Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Q. Into how many *general parts* may this incomparable Prayer be distributed?

A. In *three*—The *Introduction*, the *Petitions*, and the *Doxology*.

Q. Which are the words of the Introduction?

A. Our Father which art in heaven.

Q. What does our Saviour teach us in this Preface?

A. That "God would gently lead us to believe that he is verily our Father and that we are his children—that thereby we might comfortably and confidently call upon him; even as obedient children entreat kind and indulgent parents."

Q. Which is the *first Petition*?

A. Hallowed be thy name.

Q. What do we pray for in this Petition?

A. We pray that though "God's name is indeed holy in itself, it may nevertheless be hallowed by *us*."

Q. And when is this effected?

A. When the word of God is taught pure and unadulterated; and we as the children of God live holy lives, conformably to its heavenly precepts: but whosoever walketh contrary thereto, dishonors God's name among us. From this deliver us! O our heavenly Father!"

Q. Which is the *second Petition*?

A. Thy kingdom come.

Q. What do we pray for in this Petition?

A. We pray—that though God's kingdom will come without our prayers; yet in this Petition we ask that it may come unto us.

Q. When does God's kingdom come to us?

A. When our heavenly Father grants us his holy spirit, by whose gracious operations we may both believe his word, and live pious lives, conformably thereto.

Q. Which is the *third Petition*?

A. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Q. What is it that we pray for in this Petition?

A. That the will of God may be done in us and by us, as it is by the Angels in heaven; otherwise God's will will be done without the intervention of our prayers.

Q. When is God's will done in this manner?

A. When God frustrates the evil counsels

and intentions of the world, the flesh, and the devil, which tend to dishonor God's name among us, and procrastinate the coming of his kingdom to us: and when he keeps us strong and steadfast in the faith unto our end, his good and gracious will concerning us is effected.

Q. Which is the *fourth Petition*?

A. Give us this day our daily bread.

Q. What is it that we pray for in this Petition?

A. Since "God unasked daily bestows the common necessities of life upon us, and even upon the wicked,—we pray in this Petition that he would give us grace to acknowledge and receive those benefits with grateful thanksgiving.

Q. What things are comprehended in this term, "Our daily bread?"

A. Every thing necessary to the support of the body; as food and raiment; house and land; cattle, money and goods; faithful comforts and children; faithful servants, and upright rulers; good weather, health, peace, instruction, respect, good friends, and faithful neighbours.

Q. Which is the *fifth Petition*?

A. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Q. What is it which we pray for in this Petition?

A. We pray in this petition, that our

heavenly Father would not take cognizance of our sins; nor deny us our requests in consequence of them: and that, notwithstanding our great unworthiness, he would freely forgive us all our daily iniquities and deserved chastisements; whereupon we promise also heartily to forgive and do good unto those who also trespass against us.

Q. Which is the *sixth Petition*?

A. And lead us not into temptation.

Q. What do we understand by this Petition?

A. Ist properly speaking God tempts no man; wherefore we pray in this Petition that God would protect and keep us, that the devil, the world, and our own deceitful hearts, might not betray, or lead us into disbelief, despair, or any shameful sins; and that though we may be tempted and beset by them, we pray that we may have strength to endure and finally obtain complete victory over them.

Q. Which is the *seventh Petition*?

A. But deliver us from evil.

Q. What do we here pray for?

A. We pray in this Petition (as likewise in them all) that our heavenly Father would deliver us from every evil both of soul and body—so that when our appointed hour is come, he may of free grace deliver us from this prison of woe, and receive us to himself in heaven.

Q. Which are the words of the *Conclusion*?

A. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever, Amen.

Q. What does this *Amen* signify?

A. That I ought to be certain that such Petitions are acceptable to, and heard of my Father who is in heaven; for he himself has commanded us thus to pray and has promised that he will hear us.—*Amen, Amen*, signifies, *yea, yea*, it shall be so.

§ 4. Of BAPTISM.

Q. WHAT does the *fourth part* of the Catechism contain?

A. An instruction concerning the *Sacrament of Baptism*.

Q. What is Baptism?

A. Baptism is not mere water alone, but it is that water alluded to in God's commandments, and which is united with his word.

Q. Which is this commandment and word to which the water of Baptism alludes, and with which it is united?

A. That which our Lord Christ said unto his Apostles, Matthew xxviii. 19. "Go ye and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

Q. Which are the *benefits* of Baptism?

A. It causes the forgiveness of sin, redeems from death and the devil, and entitles *those that believe* to everlasting life; as the word of God declares, Mark xvi. 16, "He that *believeth and is baptised* shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be damned."

Q. How can water Baptism do such great things?

A. It is not the water that does it, but the *word of God* which is connected with the water; for without *this*, the water does not constitute a Baptism, but with it, it becomes a graceful water of life, and the laver of regeneration in the Holy Ghost, as Paul says to Titus, iii. 5. "He hath saved us by the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Ghost, "&c. This is most certainly true.

Q. What is signified by water Baptism?

A. It signifies that the old Adam, thro' sincere sorrow and repentance for sin, shall daily be crucified, with the whole mass of sin and evil concupiscence; and that we, as new creatures who are to dwell with God forever, should daily arise in righteousness and true holiness.

Q. Is this also said in the Scriptures?

A. Yes; St. Paul, in his Epistle to the Romans, chap. vi. 4, says, "We are buried with him by Baptism into his death; that

like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father; even so we also should walk in newness of life."

Additional Questions.

Q. 1. What do we receive in Baptism?

A. The Holy Ghost--wherefore it is regeneration to such as *do not* and such as *cannot* resist his operations therein.

Q. 2. Who are those who *do not* resist the Holy Ghost in Baptism?

A. Such *adults* as are sincere and upright of heart therein.

Q. 3. Who are they who *cannot* make this resistance?

A. *Infants*--wherefore we infer the propriety of infant Baptism from this argument.

Q. 4. From what do you farther prove the propriety of *infant baptism*?

A. 1. From the institution of baptism in the Christian Church in the place of circumcision in the Jewish Church; of which children were the proper subjects, see Collos. ii. 11, 12.

2. From their right of Church membership. Our Lord declares, Mark x. 14. that "*Of such is the kingdom of God*;" wherefore, if they are proper members of the Church, they are proper subjects for all her ordinances of which they are capable.

§ 5. Of the LORD'S SUPPER.

Q. W H A T does the *fifth part* of the Catechism contain?

A. An instruction concerning the *Sacrament of the Altar, or of the Lord's Supper.*

Q. What is the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper?

A. It is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, under the external signs of bread and wine, given unto Christians to eat and drink; as it was instituted by Christ himself.

Q. Which are the words of the institution of the Sacrament?

A. The holy evangelists, *Matthew, Mark, and Luke*, together with the holy apostle *St. Paul*, wrote thus: "Our Lord Jesus Christ, in the night in which he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it unto his disciples, saying, take, eat, *this is my body* which was given for you. This do in remembrance of me." And at the same time after the supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Take ye, and drink *all of this cup, which is the new testament in my blood,* which was shed for you and for many, for

“ the remission of sins. This do as often as
 “ ye drink it in remembrance of me.”

Q. What are the *benefits* derived from a
true use of this sacrament?

A. The benefits derived therefrom are
 comprehended in these words of the institu-
 tion: “ Which was shed for you and for
 “ many, *for the remission of sins;*” which
 words shew us that in this sacrament we have
the forgiveness of sins, and consequently *life*
and salvation; for where remission of sins is
 granted, life and salvation always accom-
 pany it.

Q. How can corporeal eating and drink-
 ing have such an admirable effect?

A. It is not indeed the eating and drink-
 ing itself that causes this effect; but the
 words connected with it—“ Which was given
 and shed for you for the remission of sins;”
 which words, besides the literal eating and
 drinking, are considered as the chief thing
 in the sacrament; wherefore whosoever *truly*
believes these words, has what they promise,
 even the remission of sins.

Q. Who are they that receive this sacra-
 ment worthily?

A. Those who receive it with fasting, ob-
 serve a good external discipline; but those
 are only really worthy guests who have true
 faith in these words: “ Which was shed for
 you for the remission of sins;” but he that
 is void of this faith, or doubts in his mind,

is unworthy and unprepared; for the words
for you, require truly believing hearts.

PART II.

*Additional Questions setting forth the true
Way to Salvation.*

Q. 1. **W**HO is it that has created and
still preserves the Heavens, the Earth, the Sea,
and all that is in them?

A. The triune God, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Ghost—Gen. 1. 2, 3; Psalms,
xxxiii. 6; John, i. 3.

Q. 2. Did the same triune God also create
man?

A. Yes; the Lord God formed man of
the dust of the ground, and breathed into his
nostrils the breath of life, and man became
a living soul—Gen. ii. 7.

Q. 3. What was man when he was first
created?

A. A bright transcript of the image of his
Divine Creator—Gen. i. 26, 27.

Q. 4. Why is man said to be an image of God in his pristine state?

A. Because he was free from sin and misery, and holy, happy and righteous—Eccles. vii. 29, Ephes. iv. 24.

Q. 5. Did man continue in the happy state in which God created him?

A. No; through the temptations of the Devil, he suffered himself to be led into disobedience, by which he fell from God, and involved his whole posterity in the unhappy consequences thereof—Gen. iii. 1, 7; Isa. ix. 2; Rom. v. 12.

Q. 6. What is the misery which mankind are involved in, in consequence of the fall?

A. A spiritual death and indisposition to that which is good; Rom. vii. 12, Eph. ii. 1, 2; a capacity and disposition to that which is evil; Psal. ii. 5. John iii. 6, Gen. v. 6; and a liability to temporal and eternal death—Heb. ix. 27, Gen. ii. 17, Rom. vi. 23.

Q. 7. Was it the will of God that mankind should continue in this unhappy and forlorn condition?

A. No; God has no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that they turn from their ways and be saved—Ezek. xxxiii. 11; 1 Tim. ii. 4.

Q. 8. By what means has God given the knowledge of this his gracious intention to mankind?

A. Through his gracious promises to send

his only begotten son to be the Saviour of the world—Gen. iii. 15.

Q. 9. Did God actually fulfil this precious promise?

A. Yes; when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his son in our flesh, Gal. iv. 4, 5, who was conceived of the Holy Ghost, Luke i. 35, and born of the Virgin Mary—Isa. vii. 14.

Q. 10. What is the name of him whom God sent to be the Saviour of mankind?

A. JESUS CHRIST—Mat. i. 21. Luke iv. 18.

Q. 11. Who is Jesus Christ?

A. He is true God and man—John i. 1, 3. 1 Tim. iii. 16.

Q. 12. What did Jesus Christ do to redeem mankind from sin and death, and to save them?

A. He took upon him and bore the burden of our iniquities; Isa. liii. 4, 5, 6. 2 Cor. v. 21. and by his death on the cross made full atonement for them. Matt. xx. 28. Gal. iii. 13. 1 Tim. ii. 6. 1 John ii. 1, 2.

Q. 13. Did Jesus Christ continue under the power of death?

A. No; he arose from the dead, 1 Cor. xv. 3, 4, ascended to Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, to make intercession for us, Mark xvi. 19, Heb. vii. 25, and to bestow the Holy Ghost upon us, John xv. 26, 27; and he will descend again from Heaven

to judge the quick and the dead—Acts i. 11, 10, 42; 2 Theff. i. 7, 10.

Q. 14. What has Jesus Christ by his death and sufferings, purchased and made possible for us?

A. He has reconciled us to God, thereby, 2 Cor. v. 19, obtained for us the gift of righteousness, Rom. iii. 25, 26, and the inestimable privilege of the uninterrupted enjoyment of God as our supreme good—Rom. v. 1, 2; Heb. viii. 10.

Q. 15. From what source do we gain the knowledge of these things?

A. From the Gospel, wherein we are earnestly invited to participate of all the benefits which Christ has purchased for us. Isa. xlv. 22, 55, 1; Mat. xi. 28, 29, 30.

Q. 16. But in what manner does God direct us therein, that we may obtain the benefits purchased for us by Christ?

A. For this purpose he directs us to an humble and penitent acknowledgment of our sins, and to a sincere belief in, and hearty reception of, Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord. Luke xxiv. 26, 27; John i. 12, 13.

Q. 17. Which are the benefits derived from a compliance with these Heavenly directions?

A. Grace and the spirit of adoption—John 1, 12; Rom. 8, 15; Gal. 4, 6; the righteousness of God, which is by faith—Phil. 3, 8, 9; the forgiveness of sins—Ephes.

1, 7; 1 John, 1, 9; the gift of the Holy Ghost—Ephes. 1, 13 14; and eternal life—1 John, 5, 11, 13.

Q. 18. *How must we conduct ourselves after we have received those benefits, if we would not again be deprived of them?*

A. We must continue steadfast in the faith, and in the discharge of our duty and obligations to Christ—John, xv. 4; continually submit to the governance and guidance of the Holy Ghost—Rom. viii. 14; wait on God for the renewal of our strength, in the dispensation of his word, and the sacrament of the Lord's supper—Isa. xl. 31; 1 Pet. ii. 2; 1 Cor. ii, 26, 29; continually watch and pray—Mar. vii. 7, 8; Luke xviii. 1; Ephes. vi. 8; manfully resist the world, the flesh and the devil, 1 Pet. v. 8; and endure all the afflictions of this life with patience—Heb. x. 6; James v. 7, 8.

Q. 19. *Must those then who are pious, suffer in the world?*

A. Yes: he that will be Christ's disciple, must deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow Christ, Luke ix. 23, (and such must suffer persecution—Tim. iii. 12.)

Q. 20. *But why does God permit his children to be exercised with crosses and afflictions?*

A. That thereby they might be kept and preserved in holiness, and be made more conformable to their Saviour Jesus Christ,

who was made perfect through sufferings—
1 Pet. i. 6, 7, 4, 12, 13; Heb. ii. 10.

Q. 21. *But have not the children of God certain reasons to expect and look for certain and complete deliverance from all their crosses and afflictions?*

A. Yes; for the Lord not only comforts them here under all their afflictions, Psalm cxix. 92; 2 Cor. i. 3, 4, 5; but he will, after that he has given them to die happy, and raised them from the dead, receive them into his heavenly kingdom, where they shall be completely delivered from all afflictions, and see and enjoy God forever and ever. 2. Tim. iv. 18; Rev. vii. 14, 17; Job xii. 25, 27; 1 John iii. 2.*



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PART III

The SEVEN PENITENTIAL PSALMS.

1. *Psalm VI.*

O LORD, rebuke me not in thine anger,
neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.

2. Have mercy upon me, O LORD, for I
am weak: O LORD, hear me, for my bones
are vexed.

3. My soul is also sore vexed: but thou,
O LORD, how long?

4. Return, O LORD, deliver my soul: oh
save me for thy mercies sake.

5. For in death *there is* no remembrance
of thee: in the grave who shall give thee
thanks?

6. I am weary with my groaning; all the
night make I my bed to swim; I water my
couch with my tears.

7. Mine eye is consumed because of grief;
it waxeth old because of all mine enemies.

8. Depart from me all ye workers of ini-
quity: for the LORD hath heard the voice of
my weeping.

9. The LORD hath heard my supplication
the LORD will receive my prayer.

10. Let all mine enemies be ashamed and
fore vexed: let them return *and* be ashamed
suddenly.

2. Psalm XXXII.

BLESSED *is he whose transgression is*
forgiven, whose sin is covered.

2. Blessed *is the man unto whom the LORD*
imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit
there is no guile.

3. When I kept silence my bones waxed
old: through my roaring all the day long.

4. (For day and night thy hand was heavy
upon me) my moisture is turned into the
drought of summer. Selah.

5. I acknowledge my sin unto thee, and
mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will
confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and
thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah.

6. For this shall every one that is godly
unto thee, in a time when thou mayest be
found; surely in the floods of great waters,
they shall not come nigh unto him.

7. Thou *art* my hiding-place, thou shalt
preserve me from trouble: thou shalt com-
pass me about with songs of deliverance.
Selah.

8. I will instruct thee, and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye.

9. Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding; whose mouth must be held in with the bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee.

10. Many sorrows shall be to the wicked: but he that trusteth in the LORD, mercy shall compass him about.

11. Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart.

3. Psalm XXXVIII.

O LORD, rebuke me not in thy wrath; neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.

2. For thine arrows stick fast in me, and thy hand presseth me sore.

3. *There is no soundness in my flesh because of thine anger; neither is there any rest in my bones because of my sin.*

4. For mine iniquities are gone over mine head; as an heavy burden they are too heavy for me.

5. My wounds stink, and are corrupt, because of my foolishness.

6. I am troubled; I am bowed down greatly; I am mourning all the day long.

7. For my loins are filled with a loathsome disease; and *there is* no soundness in my flesh.

8. I am feeble and sore broken: I have roared by reason of the disquietude of my heart.

9. LORD, all my desire *is* before thee; and my groaning is not hid from thee.

10. My heart panteth, my strength faileth me: as for the light of mine eyes, it also is gone from me.

11. My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my sore; and my kinsmen stand afar off.

12. They also that seek after my life lay snares *for me*; and they that seek my hurt speak mischievous things, and imagine deceits all the day long.

13. But I, as a deaf man, heard not; and *I was* as a dumb man *that* openeth not his mouth.

14. Thus I was as a man that heareth not, and in whose mouth *are* no reproofs.

15. For in thee, O LORD, do I hope: thou wilt hear, O LORD my God.

16. For I said, *Hear me*, lest *otherwise* they should rejoice over me: when my foot slip-peth, they magnify *themselves* against me.

17. For I *am* ready to halt; and my sorrow *is* continually before me.

18. For I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my sin.

19. But mine enemies *are* lively, *and* they are strong; and they that hate me wrongfully are multiplied.

20. They also that render evil for good are mine adversaries; because I follow *the thing* that good is.

21. Forsake me not, O LORD: O my God, be not far from me.

22. Make haste to help me, O LORD my salvation.

4. Psalm LI.

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.

2. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

3. For I acknowledge my transgressions; and my sin *is* ever before me.

4. Against thee, thee only have I sinned, and done *this* evil in thy sight; that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, *and* be clear when thou judgest.

5. Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

6. Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts; and in the hidden *part* thou shalt make me to know wisdom.

7. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8. Make me to hear joy and gladness; *that* the bones *which* thou hast broken may rejoice.

9. Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.

10. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

11. Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy holy spirit from me.

12. Restore me unto the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me *with thy* free Spirit.

13. *Then* will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

14. Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation, *and* my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness.

15. O LORD, open thou my lips; *and* my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

16. For thou desirest not sacrifice, else would I give *it*: thou delightest not in burnt-offering.

17. The sacrifices of God *are* a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

18. Do good, in thy good pleasure, unto

warrior: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.
 10. Then shalt thou be pleased with the
 sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt-offer-
 ing, and whole burnt-offering: then shall they
 offer bullocks upon thine altar.

5. Psalm CII.

HEAR my prayer, O LORD, and let my
 cry come unto thee.

2. Hide not thy face from me in the day
 when I am in trouble; incline thine ear unto
 me; in the day when I call answer me speedi-
 ly.

3. For my days are consumed like smoke
 and my bones are burned as an hearth.

4. My heart is smitten, and withered like
 grass; so that I forgot to eat my bread.

5. By reason of the voice of my groaning,
 my bones cleave to my skin.

6. I am like a pelican of the wilderness;
 I am like an owl of the desert.

7. I watch, and am as a sparrow alone upon
 the house-top.

8. Mine enemies reproach me all the day;
 and they that are mad against me are sworn
 against me.

9. For I have eaten ashes like bread, and
 mingled my drink with weeping;

10. Because of thine indignation and wrath; for thou hast lifted me up, and cast me down.

11. My days *are* like a shadow that declineth; and I am withered like grass.

12. But thou, O LORD, shalt endure forever, and thy remembrance unto all generations.

13. Thou shalt arise, *and* have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time is come.

14. For thy servants take pleasure in her stones, and favour the dust thereof.

15. So the heathen shall fear the name of the LORD, and all the kings of the earth thy glory.

16. When the LORD shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his glory.

17. He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer.

18. This shall be written for the generation to come; and the people which shall be created shall praise the LORD.

19. For he hath looked down from the height of his sanctuary: from heaven did the LORD behold the earth.

20. To hear the groaning of the prisoner, to loose those that are appointed to death;

21. To declare the name of the LORD in Zion, and his praise in Jerusalem:

22. When the people are gathered to-

ther, and the kingdoms, to serve the
 LORD.

23. He weakened my strength in the way ;
 he shortened my days.

24. I said, O my God, take me not away
 in the midst of my days ; thy years are
 throughout all generations.

25. Of old hast thou laid the foundation
 of the earth ; and the heavens are the work
 of thy hands.

26. They shall perish, but thou shalt en-
 dure : yea, all of them shall wax old like a
 garment ; as a vesture shalt thou change
 them and they shall be changed :

27. But thou art the same, and thy years
 shall have no end.

28. The children of thy servants shall con-
 tinue, and their seed shall be established be-
 fore thee.



6. Psalm CXXX.

OUT of the depths have I cried unto
 thee, O LORD.

2. LORD, hear my voice ; let thine ears be
 attentive to the voice of my supplication.

3. If thou, LORD, shouldest mark iniqui-
 ties, O LORD, who shall stand ?

4. But there is forgiveness with thee, that
 thou mayest be feared.

5. I wait for the LORD, my soul do wait, and in his word do I hope.

6. My soul *waiteth* for the LORD, more than they that watch for the morning; I *so* more than they that watch for the morning.

7. Let Israel hope in the LORD: for with the LORD *there is* mercy, and with him plenteous redemption.

8. And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.



7. Psalm CXLIII.

HEAR my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my supplications: in thy faithfulness answer me, and in thy righteousness.

2. And enter not into judgment with thy servant; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

3. For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground; he hath made me to dwell in darkness, as those that have been long dead.

4. Therefore is my spirit overwhelmed within me: my heart within me is desolate.

5. I remember the days of old; I meditate on all thy works; I muse on the work of thy hands.

6. I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul *thirsteth* after thee, as a thirsty land. Selah.

7. Hear me speedily, O LORD; my spirit
 faileth: hide not thy face from me, lest I be
 like unto them that go down into the pit.

8. Cause me to hear thy loving kindness
 in the morning; for in thee do I trust; cause
 me to know the way wherein I should walk;
 for I lift up my soul unto thee.

9. Deliver me, O LORD, from mine ene-
 mies: I flee unto thee to hide me.

10. Teach me to do thy will, for thou art
 my God: thy spirit is good; lead me into
 the land of uprightness.

11. Quicken me, O LORD, for thy name's
 sake; for thy righteousness sake bring my
 soul out of trouble.

12. And of thy mercy cut off mine ene-
 mies, and destroy all them that afflict my
 soul: for I am thy servant.



PART IV.

HYMNS AND PRAYERS

FOR THE USE OF SCHOOLS.

FOR THE MORNING.

Hymn I. C. M.—Watts.

1.
MY God, who makes the sun to know
His proper hour to rise :
And to give light to all below,
Doth send him round the skies.

2.
When from the chamber of the east
His morning race begins,
He never tires, nor stops to rest,
But round the world he shines.

3.
So like the sun would I fulfil
The business of the day ;
Begin my work betimes, and still
March on my heav'nly way.

4.

Give me, O Lord, thy early grace,
 Nor let my soul complain,
 That the young morning of my days
 Has all been spent in vain.

Hymn II.—Bishop Ken.—L. M.

1.

AWAKE my soul, and with the sun
 Thy daily stage of duty run:
 Shake off dull sloth, and early rise,
 To pay thy morning sacrifice.

2.

Redeem thy mispent time that's past;
 Live *this day* as it were thy last.
 T' improve thy talents, take due care,
 'Gainst the great day thyself prepare.

3.

Let all thy converse be sincere,
 Thy conscience as the noon-day clear;
 Think how th' all-seeing God thy ways,
 And all thy secret thoughts, surveys.

4.

Wake and lift up thyself, my heart,
 And with the Angels bear thy part,
 Who all the night unwearied sing,
 Glory to the eternal King.

Hymn III. C. M.

LORD, in the morning when we rise,
 Accept our humble prayer;

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And when at night we close our eyes,
Grant us thy pard'ning grace.

MORNING PRAYER.

I.

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom, we humbly beseech thee to pour in-
to our hearts, as into their proper channels,
the pure waters of learning: and, because
thou hast made no man for himself only, but
all of us for the mutual help of each other,
grant that we may so diligently apply our-
selves to our studies, that increasing every
day in piety and good literature, we may at
length become not only useful to ourselves,
but ornamental also both to the state we live
in, and to the true Holy Catholic Church.
More especially we pray thee to give us all
grace to grow wise unto the eternal salvation
of our immortal souls: and this we beg for
the sake of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

II.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father,
by whose kind providence we are permitted

again to ascend to the house of instruction ;—
 in thy hands are the hearts of all flesh ; and
 thou alone art able to dispose our hearts
 aright for the true use and ends of instruction.
 Vouchsafe thy kind assistance, and bless the
 means that shall here be applied this day to
 teach us knowledge ; so that we, by diligent
 use of the means afforded us, may make such
 advancements in Literature as shall, through
 thy grace and blessing make us, useful and
 ornamental members both of civil and reli-
 gious society : grant us this, for the sake of
 Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

III.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, who out
 of the mouths of babes and sucklings ordain-
 est praise—we humbly pray thee, while our
 hearts are tender and susceptible of divine
 and tender impressions, to let us feel the gra-
 cious operations of thy blessed Spirit ; that
 thereby our hearts may be changed, and our
 lips and lives shall shew forth thy most
 worthy praise—thro' Jesus Christ our Saviour ;
 in whose holy name and words we fur-
 ther pray unto thee, saying :

IV.

OUR Father which art in heaven, hallow-
 ed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy

will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom the power and the glory, for ever. *Amen.*



For the EVENING.

Hymn IV. L. M.

1.

ONCE more, dear Lord, a feeble child
Presumes to bless thy sacred name,
My lisping notes thou wilt receive,
Nor put my poor attempts to shame.

2.

Thy loving heart has led me on
Thro' all the dangers of the day,
From that perpetual spring of love
Thou dost perpetual love display.

3.

From this day's sin I humbly crave
Redemption, thro' my Saviour's blood,
All other pleas I gladly wave,
No other way can lead to God.

4.

My holy Saviour and my God,
 Come manifest thy love to me;
 And e'er my eyes be clos'd in sleep
 O may I close the day with thee.

Hymn V. L. M.

1.

THE hours declin'd and setting sun
 Proclaim my daily course is run:
 The ev'ning shade, the silent night,
 My weary limbs to rest invite.

2.

My feeble self and frail abode
 I humbly trust to Israel's God;
 The one who slumbers not, nor sleeps,
 And who his own in safety keeps.

Hymn VI. L. M.

DID I, perhaps, thee somewhere grieve
 This day—I pray thee, Lord, forgive;
 And, hence from condemnation freed,
 Let me enjoy thy peace indeed.

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Evening Prayers to be said by the Scholars.

I.

O Almighty God and most merciful Father, we humbly pray thee to forgive all the errors and transgressions which thou hast beheld in us the day past, and help us to express our unfeigned sorrow for what has been amiss, by our care to amend it. What we know not, do thou teach us: instruct us in our duty, both towards thee, and towards men; and give us grace always to do those things which are good and well pleasing in thy sight. Whatsoever good instructions have been here given this day, grant that they may be carefully remembered, and daily followed; and whatsoever good desires thou hast put into our hearts, grant that by the assistance of thy grace they may be bro't to good effect; that thy name may have the honor, and ourselves have comfort at the day of account, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

II.

PARDON, O Lord, we humbly beseech thee, all the iniquities and transgressions of our lives, and especially pass by and forgive

the errors which thy pure and holy eyes, which cannot behold iniquity with allowance, have discovered in us this day: and for thy great and tender mercy, vouchsafe to protect and defend us all from the dangers and perils of this night; for thy infinite love in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*

III.

OUR Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom in the power and the glory, for ever. *Amen.*

The blessing pronounced by the Teacher.

THE grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; the love of God; and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

GRACE BEFORE MEAT.

I.

SANCTIFY, O Lord, we beseech thee
these creatures to our use, and ourselves to
thy service, through Jesus Christ our Saviour
Amen.

THY creatures bless, and grant that we
By means of them refresh'd may be;
From them may we new strength derive,
In thee to walk, and move, and live:
We ask it Lord in Jesu's name—
In which we all thy mercies claim.

II.

SINCE, by thy tender compassion to our
manifold and hourly necessities, thou hast
condescended, O Lord, to spread another ta-
ble of creature comforts before us—we be-
seech thee to bless a portion of them to our
use, and ourselves to thy service, through
Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

FOUNTAIN of being, source of good,
At whose almighty breath,
The creature proves our bane or food,
Dispensing life or death.

2.

Thee we address in humble pray'r,
 Vouchsafe thy gifts to crown;
 Father of all thy children hear,
 And send a blessing down.

3.

O may our souls forever pine
 Thy grace to taste and see,
 A thirst for righteousness divine,
 And hungry after thee.

III.

BLESS, O Lord, what we are now about
 to receive from thy benevolent hand, to
 the nourishment of our bodies, and nour-
 ish our souls with thy grace unto eternal life,
 through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

1.

LORD, the gifts thou dost bestow
 Can refresh and cheer us too;
 But no gift can to the heart
 Be what thou, our Saviour, art.

2.

Come then with these thy gifts impart
 Thyself to every waiting heart;
 That nourish'd by thy grace we may]
 Advance to everlasting day.

GRACE AFTER MEAT.

I.

GOD's holy name be blessed and praised
for this present refreshment, and for all the
mercies from time to time bestowed upon us,
through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour.
Amen.

WE thank the Lord for gifts from him,
On us bestow'd from time to time ;
Intreating him that he would grant
The food which day by day we want.

II.

WE humbly thank thee, O Lord, that thou
hast permitted us once more to partake of the
riches of thy bounty in the wilderness of this
world, and pray that we may have grace to
make a right improvement of thy mercies,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.

JESU'S mercies never fail,
This we prove at ev'ry meal ;
Lord we thank thee for thy grace,
And we gladly sing thy praise.

III.

WE praise thee, O Lord, that with the
good things of this life, thou hast once more
supplied our corporeal wants. We pray that
we may ever be truly thankful for thy mercies,
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

WE can't thy boundless mercies share,
And thee the source of all forget ;
For all thy goodness, love, and care,
Our thanks we offer at thy feet.
Lord may we always taste thy grace,
Until we end our mortal days.

Hymn VII. S. M.

1.

I HUMBLY will rejoice,
To Jesus will I sing ;
I (tho' a child) can raise my voice
To praise our risen king.

2.

The Lord is ris'n again,
Who on the cross did bleed :
He lives to die no more, amen !
The Lord is ris'n indeed.

3.

He truly tasted death
For wretched fallen men ,

In bitter pangs resign'd his breath;
But now he's ris'n again.

4.

He hath himself the keys
Of death, the grave and hell,
His is the victory and praise,
And he rules all things well.

5.

Death now no more I dread,
But cheerful close mine eyes;
Death is a sleep, the grave a bed,
With Jesus I shall rise.

Hymn VIII. 7's.

1.

OUT of love and boundless grace,
Thou hast brought us to a place;
Jesus, where we oft may hear
Of the sufferings thou didst bear.

2.

Be our Shepherd ev'ry day,
That we little lambs ne'er stray;
Whensoever we hear thy voice,
To obey may we rejoice.

3.

Thanks to thee for all the care
That's bestow'd upon us here;
May we evermore to thee
For thy goodness grateful be.

Hymn IX. L. M.

1.

I LOVE the Lord, who dy'd for me,
I love his grace divine and free ;
I love the scriptures, there I read,
Christ loved me and for me bled.

2.

I love his tears and suff'rings great ;
I love his precious bloody sweat,
I love his blood, was that not spilt,
I could not have been freed from guilt.

3.

I love to hear that he was slain,
I love his ev'ry grief and pain,
I love to contemplate by faith
Upon his meritorious death.

4.

I love mount Calv'ry where his love
Stronger than death itself did prove ;
I love to walk his dol'rous way,
I love the grave where Jesus lay.

5.

I love his people and their ways,
I love with them to pray and praise ;
I love the Father and the Son,
I love the Spirit he sent down.

6.

I love to think the time will come
When I shall be with him at home,

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And praise him in eternity:
Then shall my love completed be.

Hymn X. L. M.

1.

THOU Guardian of thy lambs behold
These tender ones of thy dear fold;
Take them in thy peculiar care,
Secure their souls from ev'ry snare.

2.

Let nothing in their minds take place,
But what comes from thy blood and grace;
May that sink deep into each heart,
And let nought else have any part.

3.

Set on their breasts thy Spirit's seal,
Within their hearts thy love reveal,
And their poor souls securely keep
Amongst thy flock of little sheep.

Hymn XI. C. M.

1.

THOU, gracious Saviour, for my good
Wast pleas'd a child to be,
And thou didst shed thy precious blood
Upon the cross for me.

2.

Come then and take this heart of mine,
Come take me as I am ;
I know that I by right am thine,
Thy love my heart doth claim.

3.

Low at thy feet still may I bow,
Be thine, my Saviour, still ;
In nothing bad myself allow,
Nor ever show self-will.

4.

Preserve, I Pray, my heart secure
From every hurt and stain ;
First make it, and then keep it pure,
And shut to all that's vain.

5.

If early thou wilt take me hence,
O that no harm will be :
Since endless blifs will then commence,
When I shall live with thee.

6.

If thou wilt have me longer stay,
In years and stature grow ;
Help me to serve thee night and day,
While I am here below.

7.

Then, after walking in thy ways,
And serving thee in love,
Receive me to thyself in peace,
To sing thy praise above.

Hymn XII. 11's.

1.

WHO, who have such reason as we to be
glad?

What children such means of salvation have
had?

Such meetings to hear and consider God's
word,

How many poor children don't know of our
Lord.

2.

We sing and we hear, how our Maker came
down

From heaven, and willingly left his blest
throne,

And taking our nature, became a poor
child,

And us by his suff'rings to God recon-
cil'd.

3.

O myst'ry of godliness! wonder of grace!

May we without ceasing adore him and
praise;

May all of us know what a Saviour we have,

Yea love him sincerely, and in him be-
lieve,

4.

We'll now with the angels, unite to de-
clare

The praises of him, who our sorrows did
bear,

With hearts and with voices exalting the
Lamb,
Who dy'd on the cross our poor souls to
redeem.

Hymn XIII. L. M.

I.

THOU mine and all poor children's
friend,

Who dost to all our wants attend,
Who, tho' th' almighty Lord of all,
Dost not despise us, children small;

2.

But our most faithful Saviour art,
And bearest us upon thy heart.
Since thou as man on earth didst dwell,
Thou know'st our wants and ailments
well.

3.

Grant unto us continually
The blessings of thy infancy;
Let us through each succeeding year,
The merits of thy childhood share.

4.

Thee, gracious Lord, we now implore,
To manifest thyself still more,
And thus to teach us by degrees
To live a life of happiness.

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5.

May we thy mind still better know;
 May we in grace and knowledge grow,
 And learn all that whereby we may
 Adorn thy doctrine ev'ry way.

6.

O may we ever feel thee near,
 And be employ'd in praise and pray'r
 May we in thy blest fellowship
 Wake, do our daily work, and sleep.

7.

Thus will our infant tongues record
 Thy birth and passion, gracious Lord,
 That thou who diedst in our stead,
 Art God, by whom all things were made.

Hymn XIV. 7's.

1.

I WILL a little pilgrim be,
 Resolv'd alone to follow thee,
 Thou Lamb of God, who now art gone,
 Up to thy everlasting throne.

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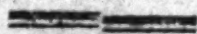
I will my heart to thee resign,
 Thine only be, O be thou mine!
 The world I leave and foolish play,
 To happiness to find the way.

3.

My lips shall be employ'd to bless
 The Lord who is my righteousness :
 My pleasure only to pursue
 His mind, and him my Saviour know.

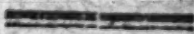
4.

So long I'll pray below to live,
 Till I my pardon seal'd receive ;
 And then, when Jesus calls, I'll die,
 Or rather live eternally.



Hymn XV. C. M.

O THOU, before whose Father's face
 The children's angels stand,
 Grant me, a helpless child, the grace
 That thy angelic band
 May watch my ways and guard my bed,
 And minister to me,
 Till I in death shall bow my head,
 And go to live with thee.



Hymn XVI. C. M.

1.

HAPPY the children who are gone
 To Jesus Christ in peace,
 Who stand around his glorious throne,
 Clad in his righteousness.

2.

The Saviour whom they lov'd when here,
 Hath wip'd their tears away ;
 They nevermore can grieve or fear,
 Nor sin, nor go astray.

3.

In ceaseless happiness they view
 Our Saviour's smiling face ;
 That face once bruise'd, in which below,
 Men saw no comeliness.

4.

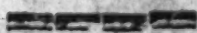
Methinks I see them kneeling sing,
 (Ten thousands do the same :)
 Salvation to th' immortal King !
 To God and to the Lamb !

5.

O that I might so favor'd be,
 With them above to join :
 Or that, like them, I Christ might see,
 And he be ever mine.

6.

Grant me but this, thou great High-priest,
 And when I'm here no more,
 Convey me safe to endless rest,
 Where thou art gone before.



Hymn XVII. C. M.

1.

HAPPY the children who betimes
Have learn'd to know the Lord,
Who, through his grace, escape the crimes,
Forbidden in his word.

2.

Who early, by a living faith,
Have deep foundation laid
In Jesu's meritorious death,
Such need not be afraid.

3

Should they be early hence remov'd,
He will their souls receive ;
For those who Jesus here have lov'd,
With him shall ever live.

Hymn XVIII. L. M.

1.

THOUGH but a little child I am,
Yet I may praise the slaughter'd Lamb,
He loves the children tenderly,
And also loveth sinful me.

2.

Yes, gracious Saviour, I believe.
Thou canst a little child receive ;
For thou didst bless them formerly,
And say, "Let children come to me."

3.

Lord Jesus, unto me impart
 A humble, meek and docile heart,
 O cleanse me in thy precious blood.
 Shed in my heart thy love abroad.

4.

Save me from liking what is ill,
 Teach me to do thy holy will;
 Each day prepare me, through thy grace,
 To meet thee, and behold thy face.

Hymn XIX. 11's.

1.

COME hither, dear children, and learn that
 your sin
 The reason of Jesu's affliction hath been,
 For you he sweat blood, falling down on his
 face,
 And vented in crying and tears his dis-
 tress.

2.

In this dreadful anguish our Saviour was
 seen.
 When Judas betray'd him to barbarous
 men.
 Who led him away and made at him their
 game.
 But Jesus was patient and meek as a lamb. Whi

3.

They spit in his face and then pluck'd of his
hair,
The scourges his body did mangle and
tear;
They platted a crown of sharp thorns on his
head,
Thus he 'fore the crowd who revil'd him
was led.

4.

They laid on his shoulders, already in
pain.
The cross, on which he was condemn'd to
be slain.
In his sacred body our sins on the tree
He bore and expired for you and for me.

5.

Ye children, fall down and adore at his
feet,
Nor ever his sufferings and dying forget;
For now in his blood, if in him ye be-
lieve,
Ye all may redemption and pardon re-
ceive.

Hymn XX. P. M.

1.

COME, children, and trace
The mercy and grace,
Which God's incarnation to mankind
displays.

2.

In Bethle'm a town
Of no great renown,
There Mary the virgin brought forth God's
dear Son.

3.

God evermore blest
Chose meanly to rest
For us in a manger in swaddling-clothes
drest.

4.

On straw or on hay
The lovely child lay,
Who came down from heaven to show us
the way.

5.

His being so mean
Hath certainly been
T' exalt his poor children, and save them
from sin.

6.

Lord teach us thy ways,
And thee all our days
Sincerely to follow, to love, and to
praise.

Hymn XXI. L. M.

TO ev'ry child the grace impart
O Lord to give to thee his heart,

To live to thee its future days
 To love thee and thy name to praise.

HYMNS *suitable to particular Seasons.*

1. FOR CHRISTMAS-DAY.

WHAT words, what voices can we bring,
 Which way our accents raise,
 To welcome thy mysterious King,
 And sing a Saviour's praise.
 O 'tis too little all we can,
 For this unbounded love ;
 All that was ever wrote by man,
 Or sung in hymns above.

2. FOR GOOD FRIDAY.

No songs of triumph now be sung,
 Cease all your sprightly airs ;
 Let sorrow silence every tongue,
 And joy dissolve to tears.
 If at this sight we don't repent,
 What other sight can move ?
 Ungrateful ? shall we not relent,
 And pay him love with love.

3. ON EASTER-DAY,

IF Angels sung a Saviour's birth,
On that auspicious morn;
Then let us imitate their mirth,
Now he again is born.
Himself he humbled to the grave,
Made flesh like us to shew
That we as certainly shall have
A resurrection too.

4. ON WHIT-SUNDAY.

HE's come let every knee be bent,
All hearts new joy resume,
Let nations sing with one consent,
The Comforter is come.
O blessed Spirit; not a soul
But does thy influence feel!
Thou dost our darling sins controul,
And fix our wavering zeal.

FINIS.

